ABSTRACT

This paper deals with the analysis in the pronunciation of the English diphthongs [eɪ], [oʊ] and [ɔʊ]. The importance of English as an international language has encouraged the writer to do some research and analysis on those three diphthongs. Several theories on phonetics are presented in order to support the analysis. This paper is written with the purpose of encouraging students of English to be aware and concerned about the pronunciation of English sounds in general and the three diphthongs mentioned above in particular. To accomplish the analysis the writer uses library research to obtain data by reading books. In order to obtain data for the analysis, a field research is conducted in form of pronouncing test, and supported by questionnaire consisting of questions for students to check. To represent the fourth semester students the 04PAG and 04PBG classes of the Faculty of Letters, English Department, Bina Nusantara University are chosen as the respondents. A description is provided to show the correlation between the pronouncing test and the questionnaire. Figures, tables, diagrams and graphs in form of bar charts are made to visualize the result along with a comprehensive description. To the completion of her writing she draws a conclusion and gives suggestions. A summary in Bahasa Indonesia concludes the write-up.
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